



Denali Commission Policy Energy Project Prioritization

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I. Objective

To establish Denali Commission guidelines for moving an energy project up in the queue for final design and construction.

II. Policy

- A. To encourage communities to facilitate the concept design and business planning work, projects are to be placed in the queue for final design and construction when they have a completed concept design and a draft business plan. The business plan is to be finalized by the time the final design is completed.
- B. At a minimum, the community must provide signed resolutions agreeing to the concept design and draft business plan, and committing to adopt the finalized business plan at the completion of final design, before final design will be authorized or funded.
- C. The Commission will not authorize construction phase funding prior to the completion of the final detailed design, the community signing the business plan, and the community providing a signed copy of the lease or deed for the project site. For bulk fuel projects the Commission may, under special circumstances, elect to release funds for construction based on a final design that is 65% completed.

III. Enforcement

Each Financial Assistance Award recipient is to enforce this policy. Controversial project prioritization issues may be referred to the Denali Commission's Energy Program Manager for resolution.